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TO enable the commissioners of the continental loan-offices in the several states, to detect frauds in the negotiation of the certificates issued by the paymaster-general, and to pay the interest of such certificates agreeably to the appropriation of Congress.

RESOLVED, That the board of treasury, or previous to their meeting, the comptroller of the treasury, be directed to transmit from time to time, to the several commissioners of the continental loan-offices, lists of all the certificates issued by John Pierce, paymaster general; specifying the dates, numbers, names and persons, to whom issued, and amount of such certificates respectively: And that on the receipt of the lists of such certificates, or of any part thereof, the commissioner of the continental loan-office in each state, be authorized and directed to pay to the citizens thereof, the interest due to them to the last day of the year 1782, on such certificates, in the mode which the legislature of the state may direct, pursuant to the requisition of Congress of the 27th of April, and the resolution respecting facilities of the 28th of April 1784, and to endorse on the back of each certificate, the time to which the interest shall have been paid, and amount thereof; provided that the date, number, name and sum shall correspond with lists to be so transmitted; and provided also, that the holders of the said certificates respectively, shall receive the interest due thereon as aforesaid, from the continental loan-officer of the state in which they reside, although the debt may not have been contracted in such state, upon producing to him a certificate from any justice of the peace of the said state, that they have taken the following oath or affirmation, viz. I——do solemnly swear or affirm, that I am the true, real and sole proprietor of the following certificates issued by John Pierce, paymaster

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general, or that I hold them in trust, as executor or administrator to late a citizen of the state of viz. One certificate (as the case may be) dated—No.—payable to—and amounting to,—&c.